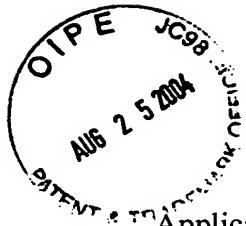


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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2004, Applicants hereby elect the species of Control 1: Figure 3, for prosecution in the subject application. The Examiner has indicated that Claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8, 12, 14, 16-17 and 19 are generic. Applicants believe that Claims 4 and 15 are also generic. In addition to the generic claims, claims 2, 7, 13 and 18 read on Figure 3.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 CFR 1.141, upon allowance of any claim that is generic.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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